4-laning of bypass which is in progress.

(c) and (d) At present there is no proposal to construct an over bridge over G.T. Road or on the bypass. However, flow of traffic in this stretch shall be smooth after completion of four laning works.

[Translation]

Release of Amount

3093. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount sought by the Uttar Pradesh Government from the Union Government under the Integrated Child development Scheme;

(b) whether the amount sought has been released; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) and (b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh have not made any specific request for funds from Central Government under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme. However, the Central Government have sanctioned and released an amount of Rs. 21.59 crore as first instalments to the Government of Uttar Pradesh during 1997-98 for implementation of ICDS Scheme.

(c) Does not arise.

[English]

Indo-Bangla Agreement for Sharing of Water

3094. SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether any agreement was signed between India and Bangladesh for sharing of water of Teesta river in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

B.Ed. Course

3095. SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply given to USQ No. 5763 on May 12, 1997 and state :

(a) whether the B.Ed. Course in some colleges of the referred Universities has been banned;

(b) if so, the college-wise details thereof;

(c) the academic session from which the Correspondence B.Ed. Course is proposed to be started;

(d) whether some colleges have two years B.Ed. Course and some other colleges have one year B.Ed. Course;

(e) if so, the college-wise details of these Universities offering one year and two years B.Ed. Course; and

(f) the reasons for this variation in the duration of the course and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to make the B.Ed. course uniform ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In consultation with the University Grants Commission and Indira Gandhi National Open University, the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has issued guidelines to universities offering B.Ed. correspondence courses. The universities would be in a position to offer B.Ed. correspondence courses in accordance with these guidelines after obtaining NCTE's appoval.

(d) The NCTE guidelines on B.Ed. correspondence courses provide for a course duration of 2 years only.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Does not arise.

[English]

Guest Houses In Andhra Pradesh

3096. SHRI DHARMABIKSHAM : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the places in Andhra Pradesh where Guest House/Travellers Bungalows are controlled by the Government in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether there is any proposal to improve them;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the locations of new proposed Guest Houses ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) The various Guest Houses/ Travellers Bungalows controlled by the Government in the State of Andhra Pradesh are spread throughout the state. These are controlled by various state Government Departments.

(b) to (d) This Ministry is concerned with the development and maintenance of National Highways. No proposals of the state of Andhra Pradesh are under consideration either for improvement or construction of new Guest Houses on the National Highways.

Badanalla Medium Irrigation Project

3097. SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Badanalla medium irrigation project of Orissa has not been completed for execution; and

(b) if so, the funds provided year-wise and component-wise since the commencement of the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) and (b) The Badanalla Medium Irrigation Project was started by the Government of Orissa in 1981-92. The latest estimated cost of the Project is Rs. 91.74 crores. The anticipated expenditure incurred on the project is Rs. 82.93 crores as per break up given below :-

	Rs. in Crores
Expenditure incurred upto 3/92	43.77
Expenditure incurred during 1992-93	7.85
Expenditure incurred during 1993-94	8.25
Expenditure incurred during 1994-95 (anticipated)	8.00
Expenditure incurred during 1995-96 (anticipated)	6.06
Outlay for 1996-97	9.00
	82.93

Brahmaputra Board

3098. SHRI UDDHAB BARMAN : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Brahmaputra Board have formulated any master plans for the scientific water management in Assam and other North-East States;

(b) if so, the present status of these Master Plans;

(c) whether the expenditure involved in the implementation of the Master Plans has been updated;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the measures taken/proposed to be taken in mobilise the resources for implementation of these Plans ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Brahmaputra Board has drawn up Master Plan Part I for the mainstem of the Brahmputra river, Master Plan Part II for the river Barak and its tributaries and the Master Plan Part III covering 38 tributaries of the Brahmaputra and 8 rivers of Tripura. The Master Plans Part I and Part II has been approved by the Union Government. Other Master Plans were circulated to different concerned North Eastern States for their views and comments and on the basis of their comments modifications of Master Plans have been taken up by the Board.

(c) to (e) No, Sir. The estimated amounts as derived against various items of the Master Plans are indicative. The exact expenditure to this effect will be worked out at the implementation stage.

[Translation]

Flood Control in Gujarat

3099. SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VERMA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state

(a) whether Members of Parliament, Government of Gujarat and various other institutions have been demanding for the last many years to the Union Government for the construction of a protection wall for protecting Saroda, Amlipara, Rawasa Villages etc, which are located on both sides of Ahmedabad and Sabarmati river which gets submerged during floods in Sabarmati river;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by when the protection wall is proposed to be constructed; and

(d) the details of the survey conducted to construct the wall and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred on it ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.